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SUBJECT: TFKU01: SITREP NO. 18, IRAQ-KUWAIT TASK FORCE  
SITUATION AS OF 1500 EDT, 08/06/90

¶1. (S) EMBASSY KUWAIT REPORTS AS OF 1900 LOCAL TIME  
(1300 EDT) IT IS CALM AND QUIET AROUND THE COMPOUND,  
THERE IS SOME MOVEMENT IN THE SOUTH BY IRAQI MILITARY  
UNITS, AND KUWAITI CIVIL SERVANTS HAVE BEEN SKED TO  
RETURN TO WORK TOMORROW. ACCORDING TO SOME SOURCES,  
KUWAITI CIVIL SERVANTS WILL REFUSE TO REPORT TO WORK.  
(KUWAIT 4478)

¶2. (C) APPROXIMATELY 28 AMCITS, AND NUMEROUS OTHER  
FOREIGN NATIONALS, HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM KUWAITI HOTELS  
AND MOVED BY BUS, PROBABLY TO IRAQ. EMBASSY BAGHDAD HAS  
HEARD REPORTS THAT A HOTEL IN BAGHDAD HAS BEEN PREPARED  
FOR 250 GUESTS. THE IRAQI MFA HAS BEEN UNABLE TO  
PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION TO THE EMBASSY.  
(KUWAIT 4476, TF-BAGHDAD/KUWAIT TELCONS)

¶3. (C) THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS WOULD BE WILLING TO  
FURNISH LOGISTICAL SUPPORT TO EVACUATE FOREIGN CIVILIANS  
FROM KUWAIT, BUT ONLY AFTER GOVERNMENTS HAVE REACHED  
AGREEMENT WITH IRAQI AUTHORITIES AND PRESUMABLY WITH THE  
KUWAITI PUPPET GOVERNMENT. (GENEVA 8326)

¶4. (U) IRAQ HAS HALTED OIL SHIPMENTS THROUGH THE  
TURKISH PIPELINE EXCEPT FOR TURKISH DOMESTIC  
REQUIREMENTS. FRANCE HAS ANNOUNCED AN OIL EMBARGO  
AGAINST IRAQ AND KUWAIT. THE NETHERLANDS HAS CLOSED THE  
PORT OF ROTTERDAM TO IRAQI AND KUWAITI OIL AND FROZEN  
ALL IRAQI AND KUWAITI ASSETS. (PRESS REPORTS,  
TF-EMBASSY ANKARA TELCON)

¶5. (C) THE IRAQI MFA TOLD THE WEST GERMAN AMBASSADOR  
THAT DIPLOMATIC STAFF AND OTHER NON-IRAQI EMBASSY  
EMPLOYEES WILL BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE OVERLAND VIA JORDAN  
BEGINNING TUESDAY, AUGUST 7. REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAVEL  
PERMITS WILL BE LIFTED. THE MFA ALSO SAID THAT OVERLAND  
TRANSPORT VIA TURKEY IS BEING LOOKED INTO AND THAT  
DOMESTIC COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY.  
(TF-EMBASSY BAGHDAD TELCONS)

¶6. (U) SECRETARY BAKER WILL TRAVEL TO TURKEY ON AUGUST  
8 TO DISCUSS THE INVASION. (WHITE HOUSE ANNOUNCEMENT)

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